

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing Of Claims:**

1.-10. (Canceled)

11. (New) A control unit, comprising:

    a processor outputting a clock pulse;  
    at least one further circuit, wherein:

        a clocked data transmission occurs between the processor and the at least one further circuit, and

        the processor monitors the clock pulse based on output signals of at least two clock outputs.

12. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 11, wherein the at least two clock outputs are connected in such a manner that the control unit generates a monitoring signal as a function of the output signals.

13. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 12, further comprising:

    an exclusive-OR element to which the output signals are supplied, respectively, wherein the monitoring signal is generated as a function of a signal of the exclusive-OR element.

14. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 11, wherein:

    the at least two clock outputs are connected in such a manner that the output signals are fed back respectively to a first input and a second input of the processor in order for the processor to monitor the output signals and to generate a monitoring signal as a function thereof.

15. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 11, wherein the at least two clock outputs are connected in such a manner that the clock pulse is generated as a function of the output signals.
16. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 15, further comprising:  
an OR element to which the at least two clock outputs are supplied to generate the clock pulse.
17. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 16, further comprising:  
a first diode; and  
a second diode, wherein the first diode and the second diode cooperate to perform an OR operation on the at least two clock outputs.
18. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 11, wherein the clock pulse is supplied to at least one of an impedance transformer and an amplifier.
19. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 11, wherein the at least two clock outputs are assigned to different port groups.
20. (New) The control unit as recited in Claim 14, wherein the first input and the second input are assigned to different port groups.